(d) how many Maruti vehicles are produced per annum; what is the per vehicle profit earned by the company and how much it contributes by way of central excise and other taxes to the national exchequer every year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY) : (a) The first consignment of car kits from Suzuki Motor Co. arrived in India in August, 1983.

The first payment to Suzuki was made in the form of lump-sum in January, 1983.

(b) 68 vehicles have been imported in fully assembled condition mainly for display and testing purposes and not for sale. Some of these were sent to us as free of cost. CIF value incurred on these vehicles is about US $ 155,000.

(c) Average foreign exchange cost of components per vehicle this year is about $ 1,688. Maruti expects to reach 95% indigenisation of its cars in 1988-89.

(d) (i) Maruti produced 22,372 vehicles in 1984-85, 51,580 vehicles in 1985-86 and plans to produce 85,000 vehicles during the current year.

(ii) Per vehicle profit earned by Maruti was Rs. 402/- in 1984-85 and Rs. 582/- in 1985-86.

(iii) Contribution to the national exchequer during 1984-85 and 1985-86 on account of taxes is given in the enclosed statement.

Statement

	1985-86 (Rs. crores)	1984-85 (Rs. crores)
Excise Duty	32·78	13·21
Sales Tax	24·38	11·51
Customs Duty	80·24	31·24
Income Tax	0·02	—
Total	137·42	55·96

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Industrial plans for North Eastern Region

2533. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Central Government have decided upon a set of industrial plans for the North Eastern Region; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Malpractices by dealers of Contessa Car

2534. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received complaints about malpractices indulged in by dealers of the Contessa Cars manufactured by the Hindustan Motors in different parts of the country especially in Gwalior, forcing the customers to purchase the car with earlier engine and are not being given the cars with latest Japanese engine;

(b) whether Government propose to hold any enquiry in this regard and help the intending customers; and

(c) whether Government's permission was sought by Hindustan Motors for fitting the Contessa Cars with Japanese engine?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (c) No such complaints have been received by the Government. The company has reported that

originally Contessa car was introduced with Ambassador engine and deliveries were offered to the customers in accordance with their booking priorities. This model has been discontinued from production early this year. The company is now producing Contessa Classic car fitted with Isuzu engine for which it has been permitted foreign collaboration with Isuzu Motors Ltd., Japan. The customers are now being offered this new model of car and they are free either to take delivery or cancel the booking.

(b) Does not arise.

Steps taken to prevent ACC Babcock from liquidation

2535. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is true that ACC Babcock Limited has moved Bombay High Court seeking liquidation of the company; and :

(b) if so, what steps the Government contemplates to prevent the liquidation and closing down of the Company ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) M/s. ACC Babcock Ltd. have reported to the Government that they have filed a petition to wind up the Company, in the Bombay High Court.

(b) No specific steps are under consideration of the Government at present.

Industrial licences issued to West Bengal

2536. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the number of industrial licences, letters of intent and DGTD licences issued in West Bengal since 1980-81 to 1985-86 annually and sectorwise; and the comparative and corresponding figures for other States and Union Territories indicating the names of those States and Union Territories; and

(b) how many of the Industrial Licences issued were for new units for substantial expansion of old units and for new articles to be produced in old units ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) A statement showing State-wise break-up of letters of intent and industrial licences issued since 1980 is enclosed (Annexure-I), [*See Appendix* CXC, Annexure No. 98].

A statement showing State-wise break-up of schemes registered with Directorate General of Technical Development since 1980 is also enclosed (Annexure-II) [*See* Appendix CXC, Annexure No. 99].

Details, such as name & address of the undertaking, location, item(s) of manufacture and capacity, etc in respect of letters of intent/industrial licences issued and schemes registered with DGTD are being published regularly by the Indian Investment Centre in their 'Monthly Newsletter'. Copies of this publication are being sent to the Parliament Library regularly.

(b) Of the total number of 313 industrial licences granted during the years 1980 to 1986 (upto Sept. '86) for West Bengal, 38 industrial licences were for setting up of 'new undertakings', 35 for effecting 'substantial expansion', 74 for the manufacture of 'new articles', 1 for 'new article'/'substantial expansion' and the remaining 165 licences were 'Carry-on-Business' licences.